

## Message Text

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AMCONSUL HONG KONG

USLO PEKING

UNCLAS BANGKOK 2224

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, PINT, TH

SUBJ: SENI PRAMOT'S BELATED BUT INTRIGUING CONTRIBUTION TO

THE "YELLOW PERIL" DEBATE

REF: FBIS BK 27163Z JAN 75

1. SENI PRAMOT, DEMOCRAT PARTY LEADER AND POSSIBLY THE NEXT PRIME MINISTER OF THAILAND, HELD FORTH IN A JANUARY 27 PRESS CONFERENCE ON SOME ASPECTS OF THE FOREIGN POLICY HIS PARTY MIGHT FOLLOW. SINCE THE ITEM WAS A RADIO INTERVIEW THAT FBIS TRANSLATED WE WISH TO SINGLE IT OUT IN CASE ADDRESSEES OVERLOOKED IT. HERewith AN EXCERPT: "AS GENERAL POLICY, WE WILL HAVE TO BE FRIENDS WITH ALL COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY WITH BIG POWERS. WE ARE SMALL IN SIZE. HOW CAN WE ADOPT A HOSTILE POLICY TOWARD RED CHINA. WITH 800 MILLION PEOPLE STANDING NEXT TO US AND URINATING ON US, THAILAND WILL GO UNDERWATER RIGHT AWAY. HOW CAN WE BE AN

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ENEMY TO RED CHINA SINCE IT IS MUCH BIGGER THAN US?"

"THE SAME IS TRUE WITH THE UNITED STATES. WHEN WE DON'T WANT THEM ANY LONGER, WE TELL THEM ABRUPTLY 'AMERICANS, GO HOME.' WHEN WE HAVE FLOODS, IT'S THE AMERICAN PLANES WE USE FOR LIFTING RICE FOR OUR FLOOD VICTIMS."

2. COMMENT: IT IS NOT CLEAR FROM THE TRANSLATED TEXT WHETHER SENI IS IN SOME SUBTLE THAI FASHION RELATING THE FLOODS TO THE FORM OF POTENTIAL RETALIATION HE NOTED AS COMING FROM THE CHINESE. SENI'S REMARKS MAY SHED SOME LIGHT ON A LATENT SOUTHEAST ASIAN ANXIETY: INUNDATION BY THE GREAT POWERS.  
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